

Appl. No. 10/808,385
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

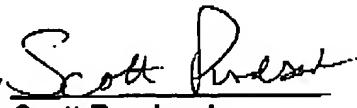
The Examiner contends that claims 1 and 11 of the application are generic to a plurality of patentably distinct species comprising the species shown in Figs. 1, 2, 5 and 6, the species shown in Fig. 3, the species shown in Fig. 4, and the species shown in Figs. 7-16. In accordance with 35 U.S.C. 121, the Examiner indicated that applicant is required to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted.

In response, Applicant elects to continue prosecution of the fourth embodiment, disclosed by the species shown in Figs. 7-16. All of the claims 1-28 are readable upon this elected group.

It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for examination on the merits, which is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this election or patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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